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Candidate Statement of Qualification

Jesús Valenzuela, Salinas City Councilmember

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In May, the Salinas City Council selected me to be the District 3 City Councilmember. Since that day, I have taken on issues like affordable housing, voting on the budget, and talking to residents about their issues.

As your current Councilmember, I have leveraged my experience to facilitate the active participation of residents in the decision-making processes of the City of Salinas, thereby building trust and transparency within our system of governance. Salinas residents want to shape the direction our city is going. Together, we can create a space where your voice can be heard and where your opinions matter.

This current council has made great progress and we want to continue to build on our successes. Issues such as the lack of housing, homelessness, public safety, and the quality of our roads and sidewalks cannot be addressed by City Hall alone. They require everyday residents like you to get involved.

I was humbled and honored to have been selected to be your current Councilmember and I hope I can count on your vote so that we, as a community, can continue to uplift the voice of working families and build the best future for Salinas.

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